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AMongst the rest of the great plots and Conspiracies, contrived by the disaffected Spirits, since the Revolution of these Times, the very last carryes a special Memento, whereby the peo-

people of England by thinking of it, may lay aside their disobedience, and put themselves into an holy Array, to meet the Lord, and bless his Name, for these his Mercies vouchsafed to the Nations, in making so happy and timely a discovery of this unlimited Conspiracy: For, as I am informed, it extended to all in general, except those who should come in and joyn with them; and not onely the Lord Protector, and the Honourable Lords of his Councel; but also divers members of Parliament, and Officers of the Army, should have been exposed to the mercy of merciless men, and have suffered in this bloody Assassination, had not Providence prevented it: For, 'tis said, that they had entred into an Oath of Secresie, to list men privatly, and to procure all such Armes as should make them formidable, in case of any opposition; for which end, they had bought many Blunderbusses, Musquets, Carbines, and Pistols, and had lodged them (as it is reported) in several places both in London and Westminster, with a Resolution to have put a period to the happy Constitution of this Government on Christmas day, by surprizing of the several Guards at white-Hall, St. Jameses, the Mewes, and other places. But

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one of the chief Conſpirators being at laſt ſo extreamly haunted with the Furies of a guilty Conſcience, took an occaſion to reveal the ſame: In which great VVork, the true ſaying of a learned Author is verified; That when the Conſcience accuſeth, the Tongue confeſſes, the Eyes weep, the Hands wring, the Heart akes, and the Voyce cries; true it is, no part can be at eaſe.

Upon which diſcovery, divers were apprehended, and the Armes before-mentioned ſeized and taken.

Since which time, many Ship-Chandlers have been examined, and ſome Gunſmiths, who confeſſed the number of Arms ſold within the ſpace of ſuch a time; but to whom, and for what uſe they could not tell.

And upon ſufficient Evidence of their Innocency, they were diſcharged.

Great is the care of our prudent State to make a cleer diſcovery of the depth of the Deſign; and to find out the chief Fomentors thereof; to the end they may be brought to condign puniſhment and be made fit Objects of Juſtice.

A List of the Names of some of the chief prisoners.

MR. Hales,
Mr. Jackson,
Mr. Smith,
Mr. Gilbert,
Mr. Ramsey,
Mr. Lamb,
W. Dent,
John Packer,
John Bryan,
Arthur Fox,
Anthony James,
W. Monk,
Tho. Frere,
Adam Broughton,
Nich. Broughton,
W. Broughton
Peter Rey.
John Rey,
W. Sperington,
T. Jeffery,
W. Ogleston,
W. Marshal,
Tho. Andrewe,
Adrian Beal,
G. Simpkin,
Cuthbert Roe.

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And many others, who unadviſedly involved themſelves in this Conſpiracy; ſome of which, as Report ſaith, are Quakers, but I ſhal not affirm it for a truth, til Time makes a further diſcovery thereof: Yet certainly, they muſt needs be men unbyaſſed, that wil preſume to ſtigmatize their own perſons with ſo heinous a crime as to incur not onely the merit of Juſtice, according to Law; but alſo a perpetual Infamy from Poſterity to Poſterity. For know that the poſitive Law of God is, That whoſoever ſheddeth blood, by man ſhal his blood be ſhed again: and they who wil not have their Truth their Protector, and willingly obey it, it is juſt with God, they ſhould have Falſhood their Tyrant, and ſo be captivated, and enſlaved.

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Many are dayly apprehended; which (as it hath of late dayes been reported) hath caused a Gentleman that lay in Red Cross street to desert his Lodging, who for some space of time had been there resident, and went by the name of a Knight, but pretending himself to be the King of Scots, left a large score behind him, for which [in time] there may come a just day of Reckoning.

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